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My dear Garrison:

119 Our Committee were  
delighted when I reported to  
them your acceptance of their  
invitation. This pleasure was  
increased when I added, that  
you were to be accompanied  
by your son Wendell.

The meeting will be  
held in Westchester and on  
the 24<sup>th</sup> inst. Please let us  
know in advance when to  
look for you; and arrange to  
allow as much time as  
possible for social visitation  
afterwards. If Mr. Lunt  
will accompany you I need  
not say that we will find  
us all ready to give him a  
heartily welcome, and to do



what in us, his to make her  
best a pleasant one. Mr &  
Mrs May I think might  
be induced to come and  
in that case Mrs Garrison  
might be more inclined to  
be of the party. If you  
for Mr May repeat our  
invitation to him and  
his wife.

The enclosed check to pay  
your expenses, I find by the  
Committee's order. Mr  
Wallcut will cash it for  
you. If it were twice  
as much it would not  
be a contribution for the  
good — judging from the  
past — your visit will  
do us.

We shall not have a  
large meeting; but I trust  
it will be a good one. It



will be made up of the  
old Sunday's almost entire-  
ly. The young <sup>men</sup> are off to  
the war.

Please accept a few reso-  
lutions, declarative of our  
views & feelings at the  
present juncture. Our  
loyalty - in the best sense  
of the word - is above ques-  
tion. Freedom of speech as an  
exercise it does not mean  
hostile criticism. We have no  
word to utter that will give  
aid & comfort to the enemy.  
The war is right - the ad-  
ministration is right - in the  
contest now waging. The <sup>with country</sup> ques-  
tion is one of national existence;  
would it were as we hope it  
soon will be, one of personal  
emancipation; - but whether  
it be one or the other we



stand by the country.

such are some of my thoughts.  
You will speak them; &  
when you do - you will be  
sure to utter them of all  
our best considerations.

Truly Yours

Wm. G. Kim